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Copies of the listed documents are attached.

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Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

The Examiner is hereby authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to our Deposit Account No. 19-2167. If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please also charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 19-2167.

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